#### REPORT OF THE AUDIT OF THE BATH COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006



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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## AUDIT EXAMINATION OF THE BATH COUNTY FISCAL COURT

#### June 30, 2006

The Auditor of Public Accounts has completed the audit of the Bath County Fiscal Court for fiscal year ended June 30, 2006.

We have issued unqualified opinions, based on our audit, on the governmental activities, each major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of Bath County, Kentucky.

#### **Financial Condition:**

The Fiscal Court had a cash shortage in the General, Road and Bridge, and Jail Funds totaling \$590,905. The Fiscal Court had total net assets of \$1,868,407 as of June 30, 2006. The Fiscal Court had an unrestricted net assets deficit of \$74,022 in its governmental funds as of June 30, 2006. The Fiscal Court had total debt principal outstanding as of June 30, 2006 of \$349,324 with \$168,073 due within the next year.

#### **Report Comments:**

2006-01	Bath County Failed To Monitor And Manage Financial Activities In Accordance With The Budget Submitted And Approved By The Governor's Office For Local Development
2006-02	Bath County Had A Shortage In The General, Road, And Jail Funds Totaling \$590,905
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2006-17	The County Should Improve Policies And Procedures Related To The Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal Awards

#### **Deposits:**

The Fiscal Court's deposits were insured and collateralized by bank securities or bonds.

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To the People of Kentucky
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#### Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bath County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Bath County Fiscal Court. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, Bath County, Kentucky, prepares its financial statements on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bath County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The Bath County Fiscal Court has not presented the management's discussion and analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be a part of, the basic financial statements. The budgetary comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of budgetary comparison information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Bath County, Kentucky's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, combining fund financial statements, are presented for additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation of the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated February 8, 2007, on our consideration of Bath County, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Based on the results of our audit, we present the schedule of findings and questioned costs, included herein, which discusses the following report comments:

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Respectfully submitted,

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**Auditor of Public Accounts** 

Audit fieldwork completed - February 8, 2007

#### **BATH COUNTY OFFICIALS**

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

#### **Fiscal Court Members:**

Walter Shrout County Judge/Executive

Jimmy Cline Commissioner
E.H. Snedegar Commissioner
Billy Martin Commissioner

#### Other Elected Officials:

Kim Hunt Price County Attorney

Palmer Crouch Jailer

Glen Thomas County Clerk

Nancy Crouch Circuit Court Clerk

Randall Armitage Sheriff

Paul Goodpaster Property Valuation Administrator

Robert Powell Coroner

#### **Appointed Personnel:**

Myra Toy County Treasurer
Eugene Swartz Road Supervisor
Rickie Faudere 911 Administrator

## BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

June 30, 2006

## BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

#### June 30, 2006

	Primary Government Governmental Activities		
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 25,978		
Total Current Assets	25,978		
Noncurrent Assets:			
Capital Assets - Net of Accumulated			
Depreciation			
Land and Land Improvements	24,352		
Buildings	1,458,509		
Vehicles	51,675		
Equipment	289,458		
Infrastructure Assets - Net of			
Depreciation	367,759		
Total Noncurrent Assets	2,191,753		
Total Assets	2,217,731		
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Financing Obligations	137,073		
Bonded Debt	31,000		
Total Current Liabilities	168,073		
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Financing Obligations	115,251		
Bonded Debt	66,000		
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	181,251		
Total Liabilities	349,324		
NET ASSETS			
Invested in Capital Assets,			
Net of Related Debt	1,942,429		
Unrestricted	(74,022)		
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,868,407		



### BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

### BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

			Program Revenues Received					
Functions/Programs	E	xpens es		arges for ervices	Gı	perating rants and atributions	Capital Grants and Contributio	
Primary Government:								
Governmental Activities:								
General Government	\$	828,617	\$	10,768	\$	439,169	\$	
Protection to Persons and Property		432,734				97,394		
General Health and Sanitation		340,201				37,598	592,48	85
Social Services		4,338						
Recreation and Culture		26,716						
Roads		556,712				655,596	273,52	26
Airports		11,855						
Debt Service		17,245						
Capital Projects		413,462					78,9	18
Total Governmental Activities	2	2,631,880		10,768		1,229,757	944,92	29_

#### **General Revenues:**

Taxes:

Real Property Taxes
Personal Property Taxes
Motor Vehicle Taxes
Other Taxes
Excess Fees
Miscellaneous Revenues
Accrued Interest Received

Total General Revenues and Transfers Change in Net Assets Net Assets - Beginning (Restated)

Net Assets - Ending

#### BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS For The Year Ended June 30, 2006 (Continued)

Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets

	ry Government				
Governmental					
A	Activities				
\$	(378,680)				
	(335,340)				
	289,882				
	(4,338)				
	(26,716)				
	372,410				
	(11,855)				
	(17,245)				
	(334,544)				
	(446,426)				
	247,259				
	10,203				
	71,060				
	197,088				
	17,588				
	20,973				
	9,386				
	573,557				
	127,131				
	1,741,276				

1,868,407



## BATH COUNTY BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

June 30, 2006

## BATH COUNTY BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

#### June 30, 2006

	_	General Fund		Road Fund		spatch 911 Fund	S	reston Sewer Fund		Building mmission Fund
ASSETS  Cook and Cook Foreignsteness	¢		¢		¢	£ 220	¢	2 262	¢	5 775
Cash and Cash Equivalents Total Assets	\$	0	\$	0	\$ \$	5,338 5,338	\$	2,363 2,363	\$	5,775 5,775
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES										
LIABILITES										
Short-Term Financing Obligation	\$	100,000	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Cash Shortage		10,427		13,708						
Total Liabilities		110,427		13,708						
FUND BALANCES										
Reserved for:										
Encumbrances (See Note 8)		533	1,991			2,761				21
Unpaid Obligations (See Note 8)		96,838		260,701						
Debt Service Fund										
Unreserved:										
General Fund		(207,798)								
Special Revenue Funds				(276,400)		2,577		2,363		
Capital Projects Fund										5754
Debt Service Fund										5,754
Total Fund Balances		(110,427)		(13,708)		5,338		2,363		5,775
Total Liabilities and								·		
Fund Balances	\$	0	\$	0	\$	5,338	\$	2,363	\$	5,775
Reconciliation to Statement of Changes In Net Assets:										
Total Fund Balances									\$	(74,022)
Amounts Reported For Governmental Act	iviti	es In The S	State	ment						
Of Net Assets Are Different Because:										
Capital Assets Used in Governmental A			lot F	inancial Re	esoui	ces				
And Therefore Are Not Reported in the	ie Fu	ınds.								2,903,630
Total Accumulated Depreciation				1 1 1	c					(711,877)
Long-term debt is not due and payable	ın tn	e current p	erio	a ana, the	reiore	e, is not				
reported in the funds.								(152 224)		
Financing Obligations Bonded Debt										(152,324)
Dollaca Debt										(97,000)
Net Assets Of Governmental Activities									\$	1,868,407

BATH COUNTY
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
For The Year Ended June 30, 2006
(Continued)

 PRIDE Fund	reciation eserve Fund	Non- Major Funds	Total Governmenta Funds		
\$ 13,574	\$ 21,864	\$ 4,744	\$	53,658	
\$ 13,574	\$ 21,864	\$ 4,744	\$	53,658	
\$	\$	\$	\$	100,000	
		 3,545		27,680	
		3,545		127,680	
	21,864	103,162		5,306 460,701 21,864	
13,574		(101,963)		(207,798) (359,849) 5,754	
13,574	21,864	1,199		(74,022)	
\$ 13,574	\$ 21,864	\$ 4,744	\$	53,658	



# BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

# BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

	 General Fund	Road Fund	Dis pa 911 Fun		Preston Sewer Fund
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ 385,649	\$	\$		\$
Excess Fees	17,588				
Licenses and Permits	55,818				
Intergovernmental	179,250	1,119,857			313,267
Charges for Services	10,768				
Miscellaneous	42,119		13	9,961	
Interest	1,939	 3,738		234	
Total Revenues	 693,131	1,123,595	14	0,195	313,267
EXPENDITURES					
General Government	390,973				
Protection to Persons and Property	99,527		12	8,639	
General Health and Sanitation	27,649				
Social Services	4,338				
Recreation and Culture	21,491				
Roads		754,310			
Bus Services					
Debt Service	9,153	25,415	1	2,638	
Capital Projects					369,378
Administration	265,436	195,111	2	0,316	
Total Expenditures	818,567	974,836	16	1,593	369,378
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other					
Financing Sources (Uses)	 (125,436)	 148,759	(2	1,398)	 (56,111)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfers From Other Funds	345,172	215,571	2	0,000	32,000
Transfers To Other Funds	(273,075)	(397,918)			(32,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	72,097	(182,347)	2	0,000	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(53,339)	(33,588)	(	1,398)	(56,111)
Fund Balances - Beginning (Restateed)	(57,088)	19,880		6,736	58,474
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ (110,427)	\$ (13,708)			\$ 2,363

# BATH COUNTY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS For The Year Ended June 30, 2006 (Continued)

Building Commission Fund	PRIDE Fund	Depreciation Reserve Fund	Non- Major Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 385,649
Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	17,588
				55,818
66,663	279,218		137,513	2,095,768
	, ,			10,768
			1,954	184,034
604	716	1,036	1,119	9,386
67,267	279,934	1,036	140,586	2,759,011
24.505	311,447		189,676 4,609 11,712 11,855	390,973 417,842 339,096 4,338 26,100 766,022 11,855
34,585				81,791
44,084			5 010	413,462
78,669	311,447		5,810	486,673 2,938,152
(11,402)	(31,513)	1,036	(83,076)	(179,141)
28,421	43,000		136,300	820,464
(22,796)	(43,000)	(2,425)	(49,250)	(820,464)
5,625		(2,425)	87,050	
(5,777) 11,552	(31,513) 45,087	(1,389) 23,253	3,974 (2,775)	(179,141) 105,119
\$ 5,775	\$ 13,574	\$ 21,864	\$ 1,199	\$ (74,022)



# BATH COUNTY RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

#### BATH COUNTY

#### RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

#### **Reconciliation to the Statement of Activities:**

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (179,141)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of	
Activities are different because Governmental Funds report	
capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of	
Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their	
estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Capital Outlay	342,603
Depreciation Expense	(100,877)
Lease and bond principal payments are expensed in the Governmental Funds	
as a use of current financial resources.	
Financing Obligations Principal Amount	35,546
Bond Payments	 29,000
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 127,131

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## BATH COUNTY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2006

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The county presents its government-wide and fund financial statements in accordance with a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Under this basis of accounting, assets, liabilities, and related revenues and expenditures are recorded when they result from cash transactions, with a few exceptions. This modified cash basis recognizes revenues when received and expenditures when paid. Notes receivable are recognized on the Statement of Net Assets, but notes receivable are not included and recognized on the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds. Property tax receivables, accounts payable, compensated absences, and donated assets are not reflected in the financial statements.

Encumbrances lapse at year-end and are not reflected on the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities; however encumbrances are reflected on the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds as part of the fund balance (Reserved for Encumbrances).

The State Local Finance Officer does not require the county to report capital assets and infrastructure; however the value of these assets is included in the Statement of Net Assets and the corresponding depreciation expense is included on the Statement of Activities.

#### **B.** Reporting Entity

The financial statements of Bath County include the funds, agencies, boards, and entities for which the fiscal court is financially accountable. Financial accountability, as defined by Section 2100 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, as amended by GASB 14 and GASB 39, was determined on the basis of the government's ability to significantly influence operations, select the governing authority, participate in fiscal management and the scope of public service. Consequently, the reporting entity includes organizations that are legally separate from the primary government. Legally separate organizations are reported as component units if either the county is financially accountable or the organization's exclusion would cause the county's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Component units may be blended or discretely presented. Blended component units either provide their services exclusively or almost entirely to the primary government, or their governing bodies are substantively the same as the primary government.

#### **Blended Component Units**

The following legally separate organization provides its services exclusively to the primary government, and the fiscal court is able to impose its will on this organization. This organization's balances and transactions are reported as though they are part of the county's primary government using the blending method.

#### **Bath County Building Commission**

The Building Commission is a legally separate entity established to provide long-term debt service for the Fiscal Court. The Building Commission's governing body consists entirely of Fiscal Court members. Therefore management must include the Building Commission as a component unit, and the Building Commission's financial activity has been blended with that of the Fiscal Court.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### C. Bath County Elected Officials

Kentucky law provides for election of the officials below from the geographic area constituting Bath County. Pursuant to state statute, these officials perform various services for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, its judicial courts, the fiscal court, various cities, and special districts within the county, and the board of education. In exercising these responsibilities, however, they are required to comply with state laws. Audits of their financial statements are issued separately and individually and can be obtained from their respective administrative offices. These financial statements are not required to be included in the financial statements of Bath County, Kentucky.

- Circuit Court Clerk
- County Attorney
- Property Valuation Administrator
- County Clerk
- County Sheriff

#### D. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government—wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its non-fiduciary component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activities has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The statement of net assets presents the reporting entity's non-fiduciary assets and liabilities, the difference between the two being reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories:

1) invested in capital assets, net of related debt - consisting of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for debt related to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets; 2) restricted net assets - resulting from constraints placed on net assets by creditors, grantors, contributors, and other external parties, including those constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation; and 3) unrestricted net assets - those assets that do not meet the definition of restricted net assets or invested in capital assets.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function; 2) operating grants and contributions; and 3) capital grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Internally dedicated resources such as taxes and unrestricted state funds are reported as general revenues.

Funds are characterized as either major or non-major. Major funds are those whose assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses are at least ten percent of the corresponding total (assets, liabilities, etc.) for all funds or type (governmental or proprietary) and whose total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses are at least five percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined. The fiscal court may also designate any fund as major.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### D. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

#### **Governmental Funds**

The primary government reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - This is the primary operating fund of the fiscal court. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except where the Governor's Office for Local Development requires a separate fund or where management requires that a separate fund be used for some function.

Road Fund - This fund is for road and bridge construction and repair. The primary source of revenue for this fund is state payments for truck license distribution, municipal road aid, and transportation grants. The Governor's Office for Local Development requires the fiscal court to maintain these receipts and expenditures separately from the General Fund.

Dispatch 911 Fund – This fund accounts for the operations of the county's 911 system.

Preston Sewer Fund – This fund accounts for the receipts and expenditures of federal and state grant monies related to the construction of the sewer project.

Building Commission Fund – This fund accounts for the activities of the Building Commission, a blended component unit of the county. The Building Commission services the loan payments used to obtain a Dispatch/911 operations facility. The Building Commission also issued and now services revenue bonds for the purpose of a courthouse annex renovation and pays daily operating expenses for the courthouse annex project. The Building Commission receives lease payments from the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Gateway Area Development District for office space. The Governor's Office for Local Development does not require the fiscal court to report or budget these funds.

PRIDE Fund – This fund accounts for receipts and expenditures of federal Personal Responsibility In A Desirable Environment (PRIDE) grant monies related to the construction of the Preston Sewer Project.

Depreciation Reserve Fund – This interest-bearing fund was established as a sinking fund to protect bond holders in the event the county cannot make the required bond payment. These monies will be used to make the final debt service payment on the annex facility debt. The county is required to maintain a balance equal to the annual debt service payable on the bonds. The bond ordinance states \$36,000 should be maintained in this fund.

The primary government also has the following non-major funds: Jail Fund, Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Fund, and the Sharpsburg Development Fund.

#### **Special Revenue Funds:**

The Road Fund, Jail Fund, Local Government Economic Assistance Fund, Dispatch 911 Fund, Preston Sewer Fund, PRIDE Fund, Sharpsburg Development Fund, and Scattered Site Fund are presented as special revenue funds. Special revenue funds are to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources and expenditures that are legally restricted for specific purposes.

#### **Note 1.** Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### D. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

#### **Governmental Funds** (Continued)

#### Debt Service Fund:

The Building Commission Fund and Depreciation Reserve Fund are presented as debt service funds. Debt service funds are to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of general long-term debt principal and interest.

Generally and except as otherwise provided by law, property taxes are assessed as of January 1, levied (mailed) November 1, due at discount November 30, due at face value December 31, delinquent January 1 following the assessment, and subject to lien and sale the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in April following the delinquency date.

#### E. Deposits and Investments

The government's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, certificates of deposit, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

KRS 66.480 authorizes the county to invest in the following, including but not limited to, obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, obligations and contracts for future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, obligations of any corporation of the United States government, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state, and certificates of deposit issued by or other interest-bearing accounts of any bank or savings and loan institution which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligation permitted by KRS 41.240(4).

#### F. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings, furniture and office equipment, building improvements, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure assets (roads and bridges) that have a useful life of more than one reporting period based on the government's capitalization policy, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities of the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost when purchased or constructed.

Cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the asset's life are not capitalized. Land and Construction In Progress are not depreciated. Interest incurred during construction is not capitalized. Capital assets and infrastructure are depreciated using the straight-line method of depreciation over the estimated useful life of the asset.

	Cap	oitalization	Useful Life
	T	hreshold	(Years)
Land Improvements	\$	12,500	10-60
Buildings and Building Improvements	\$	25,000	10-75
Machinery and Equipment	\$	2,500	3-25
Vehicles	\$	2,500	5-10
Infrastructure	\$	20,000	5-10

#### **Note 1.** Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### G. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary funds in the fund financial statements, long term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable financial statements. The principal amount of bonds, notes, and financing obligations are reported.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize bond interest, as well as bond issuance costs when received or when paid, during the current period. The principal amount of the debt and interest are reported as expenditures. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as expenditures. Debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources.

#### H. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, the difference between the assets and liabilities of governmental funds is reported as fund balance. Fund balance is divided into reserved and unreserved components, with unreserved considered available for new spending. Unreserved fund balances may be divided into designated and undesignated portions. Designations represent fiscal court's intended use of the resources and should reflect actual plans approved by the fiscal court.

Governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose, long-term receivables, and encumbrances.

"Reserved for Encumbrances" consists of purchase orders that will be fulfilled in a subsequent fiscal period. Although the purchase order or contract creates a legal commitment, the fiscal court incurs no liability until performance has occurred on the part of the party with whom the fiscal court has entered into the arrangement. When a government intends to honor outstanding commitments in subsequent periods, such amounts are encumbered. Encumbrances lapse at year-end and are not reflected on the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities; however, encumbrances are reflected on the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds as part of the fund balance.

#### I. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a cash basis of accounting and according to the laws of Kentucky as required by the State Local Finance Officer.

The County Judge/Executive is required to submit estimated receipts and proposed expenditures to the fiscal court by May 1 of each year. The budget is prepared by fund, function, and activity and is required to be adopted by the fiscal court by July 1.

The fiscal court may change the original budget by transferring appropriations at the activity level; however, the fiscal court may not increase the total budget without approval by the State Local Finance Officer. Expenditures may not exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

The Governor's Office for Local Development does not require the Building Commission Fund or the Depreciation Reserve Fund to be budgeted. However, the Bath County Fiscal Court has budgeted the Building Commission fund to account for bond indentures and other relevant contractual provisions requiring specific payments to and from this fund annually.

#### Note 2. Deposits and Investments

#### A. Deposits

The primary government and component unit maintained deposits of public funds with depository institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as required by KRS 66.480(1)(d). According to KRS 41.240(4), the depository institution should pledge or provide sufficient collateral which, together with FDIC insurance, equals or exceeds the amount of public funds on deposit at all times. In order to be valid against the FDIC in the event of failure or insolvency of the depository institution, this pledge or provision of collateral should be evidenced by an agreement between the county and the depository institution, signed by both parties, that is (a) in writing, (b) approved by the board of directors of the depository institution or its loan committee, which approval must be reflected in the minutes of the board or committee, and (c) an official record of the depository institution. These requirements were met.

#### **Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a depository institution failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk but rather follows the requirements of KRS 41.240(4). As of June 30, 2006, all deposits were covered by FDIC insurance or a properly executed collateral security agreement.

Note 3. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2006 was as follows:

	Reporting Entity						
	Beginning		-	Ending			
	Balance	Increases	Decreases	Balance			
Governmental Activities:							
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:							
Land	\$ 8,493	\$	\$	\$ 8,493			
Total Capital Assets Not Being							
Depreciated	8,493			8,493			
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated:							
Land Improvements	48,200			48,200			
Buildings	1,833,256			1,833,256			
Vehicles	166,000			166,000			
Equipment	338,398	74,930		413,328			
Infrastructure	166,680	166,680 267,673		434,353			
Total Capital Assets Being							
Depreciated	2,552,534	342,603		2,895,137			
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:							
Land Improvements	(31,725)	(616)		(32,341)			
Buildings	(351,954)	(22,793)		(374,747)			
Vehicles	(102,340)	(11,985)		(114,325)			
Equipment	(96,645)	(27,225)		(123,870)			
Infrastructure	(28,336)	(38,258)		(66,594)			
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(611,000)	(100,877)		(711,877)			
Total Capital Assets, Being							
Depreciated, Net	1,941,534	241,726		2,183,260			
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 1,950,027	\$ 241,726	\$ 0	\$ 2,191,753			
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Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Government	\$ 25,901
Protection to Persons and Property	14,892
General Health and Sanitation	1,105
Recreation and Culture	616
Roads, Including Depreciation of General Infrastructure Assets	58,363
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ 100,877

#### Note 4. Short-term Debt

On April 26, 2005, the Bath County Fiscal Court received loan proceeds in the amount of \$100,000 from Salt Lick Deposit Bank. The proceeds were used to meet payroll obligations, including health insurance and other withholdings. The promissory note was to mature on June 30, 2005. The note was renewed for fiscal year 2006. As of June 30, 2006, the principal outstanding was \$100,000.

	eginning Balance	Addi	tions	Redu	ictions	Ending Balance	ue Within One Year
Governmental Activities:							
Financing Obligations	\$ 100,000	\$		\$		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Governmental Activities Short-term Liabilities	\$ 100,000	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt

#### A. First Mortgage Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 1981

On January 1, 1981, the Bath County Building Commission issued \$530,000 of revenue bonds for the purpose of courthouse renovation. The bonds require that an annual interest and principal payment be made on January 1 of each year commencing January 1, 1981. The bonds will mature January 1, 2009. As of June 30, 2006, the principal amount outstanding was \$97,000. Future bond principal and interest requirements are:

	Governmental Activities							
Fiscal Year Ended								
June 30	P	rincipal	Interest					
2007	\$	31,000	\$	4,850				
2008		32,000		3,300				
2009		34,000		1,700				
Totals	\$	97,000	\$	9,850				

#### **B.** Financing Obligation – Voting Machines

On September 29, 1997, the Bath County Fiscal Court entered into a lease agreement with the Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust Program to purchase voting machines. The agreement requires 120 monthly payments at a variable interest rate to be paid in full on October 29, 2007. As of June 30, 2006, the principal amount outstanding was \$7,037. Future lease principal and interest requirements are:

	Governmental Activities							
Fiscal Year Ended	-							
June 30	P1	incipal	Interest					
2007	\$	5,244	\$	138				
2008		1,793		11				
Totals	\$	7,037	\$	149				

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt (Continued)

#### C. Financing Obligation - Caterpillar Grader

On March 1, 2003, Bath County entered into a lease agreement with the Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation to lease a Caterpillar Motor Grader for \$134,702. The agreement requires 72 monthly payments at a 4% interest rate to be paid in full on February 28, 2009. As of June 30, 2006, the principal amount outstanding was \$63,753. Future lease principal and interest requirements are:

	Governmental Activities						
Fiscal Year Ended June 30	P	rincipal	Interest				
2007 2008 2009	\$	23,115 24,057 16,581	\$	2,090 1,148 224			
Totals	\$	63,753	\$	3,462			

#### D. Financing Obligation – Emergency Response Equipment

On March 31, 2004, the Bath County Fiscal Court entered into a lease agreement with the Kentucky Association of Counties Leasing Trust Program to purchase emergency response equipment. The agreement requires 120 monthly payments at a variable interest rate to be paid in full on April 20, 2014. As of June 30, 2006, the principal amount outstanding was \$81,534. Future lease principal and interest requirements are:

	Governmental Activities						
Fiscal Year Ended June 30	P	rincipal	I	nterest			
2007	\$	8,714	\$	3,292			
2008		9,161		2,918			
2009		9,632		2,519			
2010		10,125		2,102			
2011		10,647		1,514			
2012-2014		33,255		2,106			
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Totals	\$	81,534	\$	14,451			

#### Note 5. Long-term Debt (Continued)

#### E. Changes In Long-term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2006, was as follows:

	Balance		Addit	ions	Reductions		Balance		One Year	
Primary Government: Governmental Activities:										
Revenue Bonds Financing Obligations	\$	126,000 187,870	\$		\$	29,000 35,546	\$	97,000 152,324	\$	31,000 37,073
Governmental Activities Long-term Liabilities	\$	313,870	\$	0	\$	64,546	\$	249,324	\$	68,073

#### Note 6. Employee Retirement System

The fiscal court has elected to participate in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS), pursuant to KRS 78.530 administered by the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement Systems. This is a multiple-employer, public retirement system, which covers all eligible full-time employees. Benefit contributions and provisions are established by statute. Nonhazardous covered employees are required to contribute 5 percent of their salary to the plan. The county's contribution rate for nonhazardous employees was 10.98 percent.

Benefits fully vest on reaching five years of service for nonhazardous employees. Aspects of benefits for nonhazardous employees include retirement after 27 years of service or age 65.

Historical trend information showing the CERS' progress in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due is presented in the Kentucky Retirement Systems' annual financial report. This report may be obtained by writing the Kentucky Retirement Systems, 1260 Louisville Road, Frankfort, KY 40601-6124, or by telephone at (502) 564-4646.

#### Note 7. Insurance

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, Bath County was a member of the Kentucky Association of Counties' All Lines Fund (KALF). KALF is a self-insurance fund and was organized to obtain lower cost coverage for general liability, property damage, public officials' errors and omissions, public liability, and other damages. The basic nature of a self-insurance program is that of a collectively shared risk by its members. If losses incurred for covered claims exceed the resources contributed by the members, the members are responsible for payment of the excess losses.

#### Note 8. Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances And Unpaid Obligations

In order to reflect the true financial position at June 30, 2006, outstanding unpaid obligations and encumbrances have been included in the financial statements as reservations of fund balances. Unpaid obligations represent outstanding bills that have not been paid for more than 30 days. Encumbrances represent bills that were an obligation to year-end cash balances and were paid within 30 days.

#### **Note 9.** Related Party Transactions

#### A. Mowing

In FY 2006, the Fiscal Court paid \$5,000 to the brother of a County Commissioner.

#### B. Appliance Buy Back

In FY 2006, the county participated in a PRIDE grant appliance buy back program. The Fiscal Court disbursed \$1,755 to county employees and their families.

#### Note 10. Subsequent Events

#### A. Occupational Tax

On June 29, 2006 the fiscal court approved an Occupational Tax Ordinance of 1½ percent to increase revenues in order for the county to operate on a balanced budget as required by the Governor's Office for Local Development.

#### **B.** Personal Loans

During our review of subsequent events, we noted the Bath County Judge/Executive obtained two personal loans totaling \$63,641 without Fiscal Court approval. Loan proceeds totaling \$30,000 and \$33,641 were deposited into the County's General Fund on July 27, 2006 and August 1, 2006, respectively. On August 15, 2006, the County paid off the two bank notes in full.

#### C. Two County Officials Indicted

On October 5, 2006, the person who was elected Bath County Attorney in the November 2006 general election, was indicted by a federal grand jury in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and charged with payment for voting and aiding and abetting, perjury, and obstruction of justice, U. S. v. Donald "Champ" Maze, Case No. 06-CR-155-JMH. On November 3, 2006, the Bath County Judge/Executive was indicted by a federal grand jury in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and charged with conspiracy, making a false statement to a federal agent, and obstruction of justice, U. S. v. Walter Bascom Shrout, Case No. 06-CR-175-JMH. These criminal matters are currently pending final resolution.

#### D. Civil Action Filed Against Fiscal Court

On December 13, 2006, the County Attorney disclosed to auditors that The Walker Company of Kentucky, Inc. filed Civil Action No. 06-CI-90167 against the County seeking payment under a contract in the amount of \$197,414 plus interest. The County Attorney further disclosed that the County paid \$100,000 toward this debt in August 2006. Negotiations have fallen through and the Walker Company has filed a motion for Summary Judgment with the Court.

#### **Note 9.** Related Party Transactions (Continued)

#### E. Known Outstanding Obligations As Of January 3, 2007

As of January 3, 2007 the County has the following balances due:

Paving	\$ 79,271
Housing Prisoners	185,762
Bank Loan	100,000
Professional Services	49,267
Depreciation Reserve Fund	25,825
Bath County Sanitation District	20,456
	\$ 460,581

#### F. Transfer Station

On September 5, 2006, the county took over operations of a garbage transfer station.

#### Note 11. Adjustment to Prior Period

#### A. Capital Assets

In the prior year, the County had \$85,000 ending balance for construction in progress for the Preston Sewer Project. The ownership of this asset is now with the Bath County Sanitation District. The balance has been removed from this fiscal year's beginning balance.

#### B. Fund Balance

In the prior year, the General Fund had an ending cash balance of \$48,132. This fund included the General Fund Account, Preston Sewer Account, PRIDE Account, and an immaterial revolving payroll account. For FY2006, the County has made the Preston Sewer Account and the PRIDE Account separate funds, thus we have restated the General Fund beginning cash balance. The result of creating these new funds has shown the General Fund to have a deficit balance of \$57,088, excluding the immaterial payroll revolving account of \$1,659.

## BATH COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES Required Supplementary Information - Modified Cash Basis

For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

## BATH COUNTY BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES Required Supplementary Information - Modified Cash Basis

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

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	GENERAL FUND							
	Budgeted A		Amounts Final		Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)		Fin	riance with nal Budget Positive Negative)
REVENUES								
Taxes	\$	355,739	\$	355,739	\$	385,649	\$	29,910
In Lieu Tax Payments						17,588		17,588
Excess Fees		35,000		35,000				(35,000)
Licenses and Permits		70,000		70,000		55,818		(14,182)
Intergovernmental Revenue		159,100		234,030		179,250		(54,780)
Charges for Services		20,000		20,000		10,768		(9,232)
Miscellaneous		25,100		25,100		42,119		17,019
Interest		2,500		2,500		1,939		(561)
Total Revenues		667,439		742,369		693,131		(49,238)
EXPENDITURES								
General Government		302,584		377,514		390,973		(13,459)
Protection to Persons and Property		102,950		102,950		99,527		3,423
General Health and Sanitation		49,200		49,200		27,649		21,551
Social Services		1,800		1,800		4,338		(2,538)
Recreation and Culture		16,500		16,500		21,491		(4,991)
Debt Service		105,465		105,465		9,153		96,312
Administration		204,619		204,619		265,436		(60,817)
Total Expenditures		783,118		858,048		818,567		39,481
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other		(115 (70)		(115 (70)		(125.426)		(0.757)
Financing Sources (Uses)		(115,679)		(115,679)		(125,436)		(9,757)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers From Other Funds		209,998		209,998		345,172		135,174
Transfers To Other Funds		(117,354)		(117,354)		(273,075)		(155,721)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		92,644		92,644		72,097		(20,547)
Net Changes in Fund Balance		(23,035)		(23,035)		(53,339)		(30,304)
Fund Balance - Beginning		23,035		23,035		(57,088)		(80,123)
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	(110,427)	\$	(110,427)

	ROAD FUND							
	_	Budgeted Original	Am	ounts Final		Actual Amounts, Budgetary Basis)	Fin I	ance with al Budget Positive (egative)
REVENUES								
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$	1,178,618	\$	1,178,618	\$	1,119,857	\$	(58,761)
Miscellaneous		10,000		10,000				(10,000)
Interest		2,500		2,500		3,738		1,238
Total Revenues		1,191,118		1,191,118		1,123,595		(67,523)
EXPENDITURES								
Roads		708,560		708,560		754,310		(45,750)
Debt Serivce						25,415		(25,415)
Administration		244,313		244,313		195,111		49,202
Total Expenditures		952,873		952,873		974,836		(21,963)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other								
Financing Sources (Uses)		238,245		238,245		148,759		(89,486)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers From Other Funds						215,571		215,571
Transfers To Other Funds		(288,245)		(288,245)		(397,918)		(109,673)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(288,245)		(288,245)		(182,347)		105,898
Total other I maneing Sources (Coes)		(200,210)		(200,2 10)		(102,017)		100,000
Net Changes in Fund Balance		(50,000)		(50,000)		(33,588)		16,412
Fund Balance - Beginning		50,000		50,000		19,880		(30,120)
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	(13,708)	\$	(13,708)

	DISPATCH 911 FUND							
	Budgeted Amounts Original Final			Actual Amounts, (Budgetary Basis)		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
REVENUES		Jigiliai		Final		Dasis)	(1)	egative)
Miscellaneous	\$	137,000	\$	137,000	\$	139,961	\$	2,961
Interest	_	500	7	500	7	234	7	(266)
Total Revenues		137,500		137,500		140,195		2,695
EXPENDITURES								
Protection to Persons and Property		125,000		125,000		128,639		(3,639)
Debt Service		15,600		15,600		12,638		2,962
Administration		18,700		18,700		20,316		(1,616)
Total Expenditures		159,300		159,300		161,593		(2,293)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other								
Financing Sources (Uses)		(21,800)		(21,800)		(21,398)		402
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers From Other Funds						20,000		20,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)						20,000		20,000
Net Changes in Fund Balance		(21,800)		(21,800)		(1,398)		20,402
Fund Balance - Beginning		21,800		21,800		6,736		(15,064)
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	5,338	\$	5,338

	PRESTON SEWER FUND							
		Budgeted Driginal	Amo	ounts Final	A (B	Actual mounts, udgetary Basis)	Fir	riance with nal Budget Positive Negative)
REVENUES		Jigiliai		Tillal		Dasis)		vegative)
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$	550,000	\$	550,000	\$	313,267	\$	(236,733)
Total Revenues		550,000		550,000		313,267		(236,733)
EXPENDITURES								
Capital Projects		550,000		550,000		369,378		180,622
Total Expenditures		550,000		550,000		369,378		180,622
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other								
Financing Sources (Uses)						(56,111)		(56,111)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers From Other Funds						32,000		32,000
Transfers To Other Funds						(32,000)		(32,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Net Changes in Fund Balance						(56,111)		(56,111)
Fund Balance - Beginning						58,474		58,474
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	2,363	\$	2,363

	PRIDE ACCOUNT FUND							
		Budgeted	Amo	unts	A	Actual mounts, udgetary	Fin	iance with al Budget Positive
		Original Original		Final	,	Basis)	(N	legative)
REVENUES								<u> </u>
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$	40,000	\$	40,000	\$	279,218	\$	239,218
Interest		,		,		716		716
Total Revenues		40,000		40,000		279,934		239,934
EXPENDITURES								
General Health and Sanitation		40,000		40,000		311,447		(271,447)
Administration		44,000		44,000				44,000
Total Expenditures		84,000		84,000		311,447		(227,447)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other								
Financing Sources (Uses)		(44,000)		(44,000)		(31,513)		12,487
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers From Other Funds						43,000		43,000
Transfers To Other Funds						(43,000)		(43,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Net Changes in Fund Balance		(44,000)		(44,000)		(31,513)		12,487
Fund Balance - Beginning		44,000		44,000		45,087		1,087
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	0	\$	0	\$	13,574	\$	13,574

### BATH COUNTY NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### June 30, 2006

#### **Budgetary Information**

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## BATH COUNTY COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS Other Supplementary Information

June 30, 2006

## BATH COUNTY COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS Other Supplementary Information

#### June 30, 2006

		Jail Fund	LGEA Fund	Dev	arpsburg elopment Fund		Total on-Major vernmental Funds
ASSETS							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$		\$ 1,839	\$	2,905	\$	4,744
Total Assets	\$	0	\$ 1,839	\$	2,905	\$	4,744
LIABILITIES AND FUND BAL	ANC	ES					
LIABILITES							
Cash Shortage	\$	3,545	\$	\$		\$	3,545
Total Liabilities	\$	3,545	\$ 0	\$	0	\$	3,545
FUND BALANCES							
Reserved for:	\$	102 162				¢	102 162
Unpaid Obligations Unreserved:	Þ	103,162				\$	103,162
Special Revenue Funds		(106,707)	 1,839		2,905		(101,963)
Total Fund Balances		(3,545)	 1,839		2,905		1,199
Total Liabilities and		_	4.00-		• 00-		
Fund Balances	\$	0	\$ 1,839	\$	2,905	\$	4,744



## BATH COUNTY COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS Other Supplementary Information

For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

#### **BATH COUNTY**

## COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS Other Supplementary Information

#### For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

	Jail Fund		LGEA Fund		Sharps burg Development Fund		Total Non-Major Governmental Funds	
REVENUES								
Intergovernmental	\$	78,724	\$	51,289	\$	7,500	\$	137,513
Miscellaneous		1,954						1,954
Interest		437		668		14		1,119
Total Revenues		81,115		51,957		7,514		140,586
EXPENDITURES								
Protection to Persons and Property		189,676						189,676
Recreation and Culture						4,609		4,609
Roads				11,712				11,712
Bus Services				11,855				11,855
Administration		5,810						5,810
Total Expenditures		195,486		23,567		4,609		223,662
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Other								
Financing Sources (Uses)		(114,371)		28,390		2,905		(83,076)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers From Other Funds		136,300						136,300
Transfers To Other Funds		(12,500)		(36,750)				(49,250)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		123,800		(36,750)				87,050
Net Change in Fund Balances		9,429		(8,360)		2,905		3,974
Fund Balances - Beginning		(12,974)		10,199		•		(2,775)
Fund Balances - Ending	\$	(3,545)	\$	1,839	\$	2,905	\$	1,199



### BATH COUNTY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

### BATH COUNTY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

#### Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Federal Grantor Program Title Grant Name (CFDA #)	Pass-Through Grantor's Number Expenditures				
Cash Programs:					
U.S. Appalachian Regional Commission					
Direct Program: Appalachian Area Development Program (CFDA # 23.002)	Not Applicable	\$	300,000		
Direct Program:  Kentucky Flex-E Grant Program - Sharpsburg  Development Fund (CFDA 23.002)	Not Applicable		4,609		
U.S. Department of Commerce  Passed-Through USDA Rural Development: Congressionally Identified Awards and Projects: Preston Sewer Project (CFDA # 11.469) Appliance Buyback Program (CFDA # 11.469)	Not Available Not Available		36,300 3,402		
U.S. Department of Justice  Direct Program: Section 531 Program - Preston Sewer Project (CFDA # 12.N/A)  U.S. Department of Homeland Security	Not Applicable		285,029		
Passed-Through Kentucky Department of Military Affairs: State Homeland Security Grant - Weapons of Mass Destruction 03 Part II (CFDA # 97.004)	M-03254378		54,919		
		\$	684,259		

## BATH COUNTY NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

Note 1 - The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Bath County, Kentucky and is presented on a modified cash basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS



## CRIT LUALLEN AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honorable Walter B. Shrout, Bath County Judge/Executive Members of the Bath County Fiscal Court

Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting And On Compliance And Other Matters Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bath County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2007. Bath County presents its financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Bath County's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect Bath County's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items: 2006-14, 2006-15, 2006-16, and 2006-17.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we consider all of the reportable conditions described above to be material weaknesses.



Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting And On Compliance And Other Matters Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards (Continued)

#### **Compliance And Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Bath County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items: 2006-01, 2006-02, 2006-03, 2006-04, 2006-05, 2006-06, 2006-07, 2006-08, 2006-10, 2006-11, 2006-12, and 2006-13.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Bath County Fiscal Court, management, and the Kentucky Governor's Office for Local Development and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Crit Luallen

**Auditor of Public Accounts** 

Audit fieldwork completed February 8, 2007

## REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133



## CRIT LUALLEN AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honorable Walter B. Shrout, Bath County Judge/Executive Members of the Bath County Fiscal Court

Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable To Each Major Program And On Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance With OMB Circular A-133

#### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Bath County, Kentucky, with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) <u>Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement</u> that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2006. Bath County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Bath County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Bath County's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States</u>, <u>Local Governments</u>, and <u>Non-Profit Organizations</u>. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Bath County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Bath County's compliance with those requirements.

As described in items 2006-05, 2006-08 and 2006-09 in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, Bath County Fiscal Court did not comply with some requirements regarding activities allowed or unallowed, allowable costs, and cash management that are applicable to its major programs, Appalachian Area Development Program and the Section 531 Program - Preston Sewer Project. Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for Bath County Fiscal Court to fully comply with requirements applicable to those programs.

In our opinion, except for the effects, if any, of the noncompliances described in the preceding paragraph, Bath County Fiscal Court complied in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its two major programs: the Appalachian Area Development Program and the Section 531 Program - Preston Sewer Project.



Report On Compliance With Requirements Applicable To Each Major Program And On Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance With OMB Circular A-133 (Continued)

#### Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Bath County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Bath County's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants caused by error or fraud that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, federal awarding agencies, and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Crit Luallen

**Auditor of Public Accounts** 

Audit fieldwork completed - February 8, 2007

## BATH COUNTY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For The Year Ended June 30, 2006

## BATH COUNTY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

### Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

#### A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of Bath County, Kentucky.
- 2. Four reportable conditions relating to the internal control of the audit of the financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report.
- 3. Thirteen instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Bath County were disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the major federal awards programs are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report.
- 5. The auditor's report on compliance for the audit of the major federal awards programs for Bath County expresses a qualified opinion.
- 6. There are three audit findings of noncompliance relative to the major federal awards programs for Bath County reported in Part B of this schedule: 2006-05, 2006-08, and 2006-09.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs were: Appalachian Area Development Program and the Section 531 Program Preston Sewer Project
- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Type A and B programs was \$300,000.
- 9. Bath County was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

### B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

#### NONCOMPLIANCES:

# 2006-01 Bath County Failed To Monitor And Manage Financial Activities In Accordance With The Budget Submitted And Approved By The Governor's Office For Local Development

At the start of fiscal year 2006, Bath County was under financial stress. The Fiscal Court had borrowed \$100,000 from a local bank in order to pay for the County's daily operations and the Fiscal Court also had unpaid road paving projects of \$80,796 that were seven months past due. As of our report date, June 30, 2006, the loan is still outstanding and bills have still not been paid.

Considering the poor financial condition that the County was under at the start of the year, the management proceeded to increase its road expenditures by twice the amount of the prior year, mainly for road paving projects. Management proceeded with these paving projects knowing the County did not have the ability to pay for them and knowing that these projects were not in the budget submitted and approved by the Governor's Office for Local Development (GOLD). GOLD met with Bath County's management eight times in an attempt to advise them of the dire consequences for making poor financial decisions and their management practices, which were not in accordance with the approved budget plan.

These and other actions by the management have created an overwhelming financial burden on the taxpayers of Bath County. At the end of fiscal year 2006, the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, and the Jail Fund have a combined shortage of \$590,905. The County has \$3,406 of current year federal questioned costs and is paying back \$40,911 of federal funds from the prior year. The Fiscal Court adopted an occupational tax at the start of FY 2007 to address ongoing fiscal concerns. This tax will attempt to help the County become financially solvent again. Specific details are entailed in the comments following.

2006-01 Bath County Failed To Monitor And Manage Financial Activities In Accordance With The Budget Submitted And Approved By The Governor's Office For Local Development (Continued)

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

Bad management does not cause the price of insurance, social security, retirement, fuel, electric, gas, rock, parts for trucks, and office supplies to inflate from 50 to 300% in past 3 years. Bad management does not cause jail costs to triple in less than 3 years. These are cost increases no one can control. The need for an occupational tax has been known by the Fiscal Court for 20 years. I'm proud to say the present court members had the backbone to pass this tax to help ease the financial burden facing our County for years. The stress is put on the fiscal court to do what it takes to improve Bath County.

### Auditor's Reply:

Jail Fund expenditures increased by 4%, and General Fund expenditures increased by 13% over the prior year. General fund expenditures include insurance premiums, electric, and office supplies. The Road Fund had a 67% increase in expenditures over the prior year, which is the largest percentage increase of all expenditures. The increase in the Road Fund is mainly due to discretionary blacktop expenditures.

### 2006-02 Bath County Had A Shortage In The General, Road, And Jail Funds Totaling \$590,905

Bath County has a shortage in the General Fund of \$207,798, the Road Fund of \$276,400, and the Jail Fund of \$106,707 resulting in fund deficits totaling \$590,905. These fund deficits resulted from bank account cash shortages of \$27,680, an unpaid bank loan of \$100,000, liabilities of unpaid obligations not paid by June 30, 2006 of \$460,701 and encumbrances of \$2,524. KRS 68.110 states "the Fiscal Court shall not in any year expend any money in excess of the amount annually levied and collected for that year...". We recommend the Fiscal Court work with the Governor's Office for Local Development to take immediate measures to eliminate this deficit and ensure all invoices are paid.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

These shortages were budgeted in 2006-2007 as prior year claims. Road fund has been repaid. General Fund has been repaid all but audits. Some insurance needs repayment and the Jail bill has had \$50,000 paid on balance.

Auditor's Reply:

It is noted in this report that \$460,581 of obligations remained unpaid as of January 3, 2007.

### 2006-03 County Judge/Executive Authorized A County Employee To Be Paid With Cash To Minimize Reported Wages And Transfer Station Funds Were Not Deposited

During our review of subsequent events, auditors became aware that on September 5, 2006, the Fiscal Court had taken over operations of a privately owned transfer station and that cash receipts may have been mishandled. Our testing revealed that over a two-month period, \$1,234 was missing and not accounted for by the County. Auditors discussed the missing money with the County Judge/Executive. The County Judge/Executive stated that the missing cash was used to supplement a county employee's salary with "cash" in order to keep this employee's reported wages at a minimum. He also stated that this same employee was allowed to remove and sell scrap metal and other valuables from the transfer station and keep the profits. Auditors were unable to determine a value of scrap metal sold.

## 2006-03 County Judge/Executive Authorized A County Employee To Be Paid With Cash To Minimize Reported Wages And Transfer Station Funds Were Not Deposited (Continued)

The IRS defines wages at Section 3121 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code to be all payments for employment, including the cash value of all remuneration (including benefits) paid in any medium other than cash. Also, federal and state laws require taxes to be withheld from employees' earnings.

We recommend the County Judge/Executive immediately stop this practice and ensure that these cash payments be included on the employee's W-2 for calendar year 2006.

Due to the high volume of cash transactions, the transfer station is extremely susceptible to fraud. To help offset some of these risks, we recommend the County implement the following procedures:

- Pre-numbered receipts should be written and maintained for all moneys collected at the transfer station
- Receipts should be batched daily. Total collections for the day should be agreed to total receipts.
- The transfer station should keep a log of total collections for the day.
- All monies and a copy of the receipts should be given to the treasurer.
- The treasurer should review all receipts to check for missing receipts numbers and recompute receipts and moneys collected each day. On a regular basis, the treasurer and transfer station employee should agree his receipt log to her total deposited for each day to ensure all transfer station collection receipts are accounted for properly.
- Treasurer should monitor and investigate cash receipts for questionable variances in collection amounts.

We will refer this matter to the U.S. Department of Labor, Internal Revenue Service, Kentucky Department of Wage and Hour, Kentucky Retirement System, and the Kentucky Department of Revenue for review.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

In Sept. 06 Allied Waste no longer wanted to operate our transfer station. I told the operator since we had no budgeted money for this position I would pay him \$6.00 per hour and 100.00 per week if the money was available, until the first of Jan 2007. If things worked out in Jan. I would put him on straight salary if not the station would be closed.

### 2006-04 Bath County Did Not Provide Accurate Financial Report To State Local Finance Officer

The Fiscal Court is required to submit a quarterly report to the State Local Finance Officer and to report all money received to date in all funds both budgeted and unbudgeted. The report should include by fund, all receipts to date, transfers, borrowed money, as well as all claims allowed since the beginning of the fiscal year for actual and budgeted amounts. The following was noted relating to the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Report submitted to the State Local Finance Officer:

- \$566,007 of unpaid liabilities incurred but not properly encumbered.
- \$7,664 of unrecorded receipts \$7,500 was federal grant monies.
- \$341,187 of unrecorded expenditures \$137,695 was federal grant monies.
- \$95,000 of unrecorded or misclassified transfers in between funds \$75,000 were federal grant monies.

### 2006-04 Bath County Did Not Provide Accurate Financial Report To State Local Finance Officer (Continued)

- \$122,425 of unrecorded or misclassified transfer out between funds \$75,000 were federal grant monies.
- \$71,841 of misclassified receipts \$43,543 were federal grant monies.
- \$30,860 of misclassified expenditures.
- The Sharpsburg Development and Scattered Site Funds were not accounted for on the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Report.
- The Road Cost Allocation worksheet was not prepared correctly.

Taking into account the actual expenditures and any unpaid liabilities the County incurred but did not record on the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Report, the County exceeded budget capacity for the following funds:

- General Fund expenditure budget exceeded by \$157,357.
- Road Fund expenditure budget exceeded by \$284,654.
- Jail Fund expenditure budget exceeded by \$31,011.
- Dispatch 911 Fund expenditure budget exceeded by \$5,054.
- PRIDE Fund expenditure budget exceeded by \$267,447 federal grant monies.
- Sharpsburg Development Fund expenditure budget exceeded by \$4,609 these were federal grant monies not budgeted.

By not accurately completing the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Report, the Fiscal Court could not properly monitor receipts and expenditures to manage the County appropriately. We recommend the Fiscal Court review the State Local Finance Officer's policy manual to ensure proper recording and reporting of receipts and disbursements of the County.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

Due to purchase and installation of software program the software provider was to provide 1<sup>st</sup> quarter quarterly report to GOLD from information provided by the Bath Co. Treasurer.

Auditor's Reply: The Treasurer is required to prepare and submit a quarterly financial statement to the State Local Finance Officer.

### 2006-05 Bath County Did Not Pay Invoices Timely Or Properly Record Expenditures

Bath County did not follow guidelines set forth in The Instructional Guide For County Budget Preparation and State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual and applicable Kentucky Revised Statutes. Specifically, the following noncompliances were noted:

- Fiscal Court did not pay invoices in 30 days. At year end the Fiscal Court had \$460,701 of unpaid bills exceeding 30 days by a range of from a few days to seven months.
- Fiscal Court did not pay invoices in full. Testing noted 8 expenditures that were not paid in full.
- \$74,495 of expenditures was paid without Fiscal Court approval including four federal expenditures totaling \$69,078.
- \$203,756 of expenditures was not properly recorded due to ledgers not being accurately calculated.

### 2006-05 <u>Bath County Did Not Pay Invoices Timely Or Properly Record Expenditures</u> (Continued)

- County Judge/Executive failed to sign checks for 15 expenditures totaling \$14,304. In all cases, the secretary signed his name and initialed.
- Treasurer wrote and held checks due to a lack of available funds.
- Fiscal Court did not maintain supporting ledgers for three federal grant funds: expenditures totaled \$684,259 and receipts totaled \$600,715. The County should not rely on federal grant administrators to maintain grant records and ledgers.

KRS 65.140(2) requires expenditures to be paid in full within 30 working days of receiving vendor invoices. It continues to state that if a payment of invoices exceeds 30 days, a 1 % interest penalty should be added. In addition, KRS 68.275(1) requires checks to be signed by the county judge/executive and co-signed by the county treasurer, and KRS 68.275 (2) requires the county judge/executive to present all claims to fiscal court for review prior to payment.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

Approval was made for some of these expenditures in anticipation of revenues that were not received when expected. I gave my secretary permission to sign small checks along with the treasurer in my absence. Federal grant expenditures were being sent to the administrator and there was a lack of communication between the administrator and Treasurer. This will be improved.

## 2006-06 County Judge/Executive Borrowed And Repaid Bank Loan For County Purposes Without Fiscal Court Approval

During our review of subsequent events, we noted the Bath County Judge/Executive obtained two personal loans from a bank totaling \$63,641 without Fiscal Court approval. Loan proceeds totaling \$30,000 and \$33,641 were deposited into the County's General fund on July 27, 2006 and August 1, 2006 respectively. According to the County Judge/Executive, these funds were used to meet payroll obligations. On August 15, 2006, the County paid off the two bank notes in full directly to the bank. We recommend the County Judge/Executive, acting as an official of the Fiscal Court, should take appropriate steps to only borrow money on behalf of the County by complying with the procedures set forth in the Governor's Office for Local Development Instructional Guide for County Budget Preparation and the State Local Finance Officer Policy Manual.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

These were not private funds they were bank loans borrowed for sole purpose of helping the county in tough times. From now on I will follow the proper procedures.

#### 2006-07 Bath County's Depreciation Reserve Fund Is Underfunded \$14,136

Bath County's Depreciation Reserve Fund was underfunded by \$14,136 as of June 30, 2006 and as of the audit report date the account was underfunded by \$25,825. This fund is a separate and special account set up to protect bondholders by requiring the bond issuer to maintain a balance equal to the annual debt service payable on the bonds. The bond ordinance states \$36,000 should be maintained in the reserve account. As of June 30, 2006, the account balance was \$21,864. We recommend the Fiscal Court take appropriate measures to notify the bond holder (USDA) and return the Depreciation Reserve Fund to the required level. We also recommend the County notify the Governor's Office for Local Development (GOLD) when this matter is resolved.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

This fund has been totally refunded.

Auditor's Reply:

As of the date of this report, February 8, 2007, the Depreciation Reserve Fund was underfunded \$25,825.

#### 2006-08 The County Commingled Federal Funds For Unallowable Grant Expenditures

On July 12, 2005, the County transferred \$75,000 of federal funds from both the PRIDE grant and the Appalachian Regional Commission Grant to pay for road expenditures. KRS 64.850 states an official should not "withdraw public funds for any purpose other than that for which they were received and deposited." These funds were subsequently reimbursed on August 11, 2005. We recommend the Fiscal Court use grant funds for the intended purpose.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

At the end and beginning of each fiscal year receiving money is a waiting game. Knowing money was going to be received within 4 to 6 weeks I paid the bills due and refunded those accounts.

### 2006-10 Bath County Employees' Health Insurance Premiums Were Not Paid Timely

Bath County did not pay health insurance premiums to provider timely. We noted \$15,905 was due for June 2006 and \$18,988 due for July 2006; these were not paid until August 7, 2006. Health insurance premiums are due on or before the first of the month in order to guarantee coverage. By not paying these premiums timely, county employees could have lost health coverage without their knowledge. We recommend the Fiscal Court take appropriate measures to ensure insurance premiums are paid timely.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

*I was in contact with the provider at all times and we were not in danger.* 

### 2006-11 Bath County Should Require All Employees To Maintain Timesheets And Keep Attendance Records

During our testing of payroll, we noted the following weaknesses:

- Timesheets were not prepared by all employees including the County Treasurer, Road Supervisor, Solid Waste Coordinator, and Judge's Secretary.
- Timesheets did not have proper supervisory approval.
- Vacation and sick leave balances were not maintained by all employees including the County Treasurer, Road Supervisor, Solid Waste Coordinator, and Judge's Secretary.

According to KRS 337.320, "every employer shall keep a record of the hours worked each day and each week by each employee." Good internal controls dictate all timesheets have supervisory approval, and records of vacation and sick time should be properly maintained.

We recommend the Fiscal Court ensure employees maintain timesheets and proper supervisory approval be obtained. Timesheets should include any approved time off including vacation and sick time. Central oversight should be maintained for all payroll records and reconciliations should be completed each pay period reconciling earnings records and leave time to the timesheets.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

All timesheets are being kept and being signed by the proper supervisor.

### 2006-12 Bath County Fiscal Court Minutes Should Accurately Reflect What Occurs At Fiscal Court Meetings

Fiscal Court minutes are not detailed enough to provide adequate information to the public. The Fiscal Court minutes need to accurately reflect what occurs during Fiscal Court meetings. The minutes need to include all bids submitted to Fiscal Court, a listing of all claims approved and paid, copies of all budgets and financial statements or other items presented and any other information that supports the actions taken by the Fiscal Court. Anyone looking for information about Fiscal Court meetings should be able to find it in the minutes. The absence of this supporting information prevents the public from knowing what actually occurred at the Fiscal Court meetings. We were often unable to verify information in the minutes because of the lack of detail and supporting schedules. Many of the questions we have with the minutes could have been avoided by simply attaching the amendments, budgets, ordinances, bids, or any additional paperwork that was submitted to Fiscal Court. We recommend that the Fiscal Court minutes contain any information necessary to support the actions taken by the Fiscal Court and consult with GOLD if any additional help is needed.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

We have addressed this issue in the past and will address it even further in the future.

### 2006-13 The Treasurer Should Prepare An Annual Statement In Accordance With KRS 424,220 And Maintain A List of Individual Salaries

The Treasurer's annual statement was not prepared or published. KRS 424.220 requires public officers who receive or disburse public funds to prepare an itemized, sworn statement of all funds collected, received, held, or disbursed during the fiscal year. The annual statement is required to show the total amount collected and received from each individual source, and the total amount of funds disbursed to each individual payee and the purpose for which expended (the amount of salaries paid to all non-elected county employees can be shown as lump sum expenditures by category). The annual statement must also have attached a certificate from the cashier or other proper officer from the banks in which the funds are or have been deposited during the past year showing the balance of funds. We recommend the County prepare and publish an annual statement in the future.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

This matter will be taken care of at the end of this Fiscal Year.

### **REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:**

### 2006-14 Bath County Fiscal Court Should Implement Required Purchasing Procedures

The Fiscal Court does not have purchasing procedures in place to meet the requirements of GOLD's State Local Finance Officer. The Road Fund is the only fund that uses a purchase order system. The following procedures need to be implemented for all funds to meet the requirements as prescribed by the State Local Finance Officer:

- Purchases shall not be made without approval by the Judge/Executive (or designee), and/or a Department Head.
- Purchase requests shall indicate the proper appropriation account number to which the claim will be posted.
- Purchase requests shall not be approved in an amount that exceeds the available line item appropriation unless the necessary appropriation transfers have been made.
- Each Department Head issuing purchase requests shall keep an updated appropriation ledger and/or create a system of communication between the Department Head and the Judge/Executive (or designee) who is responsible for maintaining an updated, comprehensive appropriation ledger for the county.
- Purchase orders should be matched up to cancelled invoices prior to payment.
- Once the purchase order system is in place, it should be easy to prepare a list of encumbrances and include the total on the quarterly reports.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

This matter was taken care at the beginning of this Fiscal Year. 2006-2007

### 2006-15 Bath County Fiscal Court Lacks Adequate Segregation Of Duties And Should Improve Its Internal Control System

We conclude the internal control structure lacks an adequate segregation of duties. There is a limited staff size that prevents adequate division of responsibilities. Furthermore, the Treasurer has statutory authority to assume the role as custodian of monetary assets, as well as recorder of transactions and preparer of financial statements. We recommend the following controls be implemented to negate this internal control weakness:

- All expenditures, including federal grant monies, should be approved by the Fiscal Court.
- An independent person should list all receipts and agree them back to the Treasurer's receipt ledger.
- An independent person should open bank statements and review them for unusual items, such
  as debit memos, and overdraft charges. Also, an independent person should complete all bank
  reconciliations or review the Treasurer's bank reconciliations for accuracy and agree them to
  book balances for all funds, including federal monies. The person doing the bank
  reconciliation can document this by initialing their work.
- Receipts and disbursements ledgers should be maintained for all funds, including federal funds, and pages should be footed and agreed to the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Report.

In addition, The Governor's Office for Local Development requires the County Judge/Executive to keep certain records and make certain reports. These include:

- Receiving all claims and preparing a master claim list to present to the fiscal court.
- Preparing all checks, maintain an appropriation ledger.
- Being responsible for the county's quarterly report.
- Reconciling appropriation ledger to the treasurer's appropriation ledger.
- Maintaining time records (vacation/sick).

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

These matters will be taken care of.

#### 2006-16 Bath County Paid In Excess Of Bid Prices For Road Paying And Materials

The County appeared to have been overcharged for asphalt and gravel. We noted two invoices where the amount charged did not agree with the bid amount. The County was charged \$49 per ton for asphalt binder while the bid specified the amount to be \$45 per ton. The amount overcharged for these two invoices total \$19,863. In addition, the County was charged \$6.85 per ton for #57 gravel, while the bid specified the amount to be \$6.65 per ton. We recommend the Fiscal Court and the County Attorney review these charges to determine if any overpayments have occurred. In addition, we recommend the County review all invoices for bid specifications to determine if charges are appropriate.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

Bids for rock, asphalt, and fuel say they are subject to change during the year.

Auditor's Reply:

Our review of the County's bid file noted that only the fuel bid was a short-term bid. All other bids did not note an allowance for a price change.

### 2006-17 The County Should Improve Policies And Procedures Related To The Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal Awards

During our review of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA), we noted errors. Specifically, we noted the following errors:

- Approximately \$32,337 of federal expenditures was not included on the schedule.
- The SEFA did not include all applicable federal grants awarded to the County government.
   The PRIDE Appliance Buyback Program and the Kentucky Flex-E grant program Sharpsburg Development funds expended were not included on the SEFA.

OMB Circular A-133, Subpart C—Auditees; §\_\_\_.300 Auditee responsibilities states, "The auditee shall:

- Identify, in its accounts, all Federal awards received and expended and the Federal programs
  under which they were received. Federal program and award identification shall include, as
  applicable, the CFDA title and number, award number and year, name of the Federal agency,
  and name of the pass-through entity.
- Prepare appropriate financial statements, including the schedule of expenditures of Federal awards in accordance with §\_\_\_.310."

The effect of these errors on the fiscal year 2006 SEFA, together with the control environment of this entity, has led the auditors to question whether all federal grant awards and expenditures were included on the SEFA.

We recommend Fiscal Court follow OMB Circular A-133 for preparation of the government's SEFA and review for completeness. We further recommend procedures be put into place to ensure all federal grants awarded and expenditures paid are included.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

The Fiscal Court will follow OMB Circular A-133 in the future.

### C. FINDINGS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARDS PROGRAM AUDIT

### **NONCOMPLIANCES**:

### 2006-05 <u>Bath County Did Not Pay Invoices Timely Or Properly Record Expenditures</u>

This comment is previously stated in Section B – Findings – Financial Statement Audit. It also applies to the Major Federal Awards Program Audit. See previous section for details.

#### 2006-08 The County Commingled Federal Funds For Unallowable Grant Expenditures

This comment is previously stated in Section B – Findings – Financial Statement Audit. It also applies to the Major Federal Awards Program Audit. See previous section for details.

### 2006-09 Bath County Should Resolve The Federal Questioned Costs Of \$3,402 For The PRIDE Appliance Buyback Program

The County received \$3,402 of federal funds for a reimbursement grant from PRIDE (Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment) for an appliance buy back program. We noted the following issues:

- A \$6,000 check was written for cash in order to pay individuals cash, instead of writing checks, for appliances brought in.
- Due to a lack of documentation, the auditors could not verify that the individuals listed as being paid were actually the ones paid.
- \$1,755 of PRIDE monies were paid to County employees and their families

Good internal controls dictate that expenditures be paid by check. This provides documentation of individuals who received payment.

We recommend the County stop writing checks for cash. We also recommend all individuals be paid by a dual signature check approved by the County Judge/Executive and the County Treasurer. This will help ensure the individuals who actually bring in the appliances are the ones paid for the appliances. Furthermore, the County should have an independent person from the collection procedures count appliances to verify the amount collected by the County.

County Judge/Executive Walter Shrout's Response:

People from PRIDE instructed us on the procedure to take for this program. If procedures are not followed you will not receive the money. This program was advertised in the paper and on the radio. I was proud of the way the county employees and their families got involved in picking up and disposing of those appliances scattered over the county.

#### **REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:**

None.

#### D. PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

These comments were not corrected and were repeated in the current audit. Comments may be combined with other new comments.

2005-3	Bath County Fiscal Court's Depreciation Reserve Fund Is Under Funded \$12,747
2005-8	Bath County Fiscal Court Should Maintain Time Records For All Employees
2005-11	Bath County Fiscal Court Minutes Should Accurately Reflect What Occurs At Fiscal Court
	Meetings
2005-14	Budget Line Items Were Overspent, Resulting In A Deficit Of \$12,974 In The Jail Fund
2005-15	The Treasurer Should Prepare And Publish An Annual Settlement In Accordance With KRS
	424.220 And Maintain A List Of Individual Salaries
2005-16	Bath County Fiscal Court Should Implement Required Purchasing Procedures
2005-17	Bath County Fiscal Court Lacks Adequate Segregation Of Duties

### CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### BATH COUNTY FISCAL COURT

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

### CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

The Bath County Fiscal Court hereby certifies that assistance received from the Local Government Economic Assistance Program was expended for the purpose intended as dictated by the applicable Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Walter B. Shrout

Bath County Judge/Executive

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Bath County Treasurer